

Basse Area Council Announces Removal of Acting CEO Over Alleged Misuse of Public Funds

Summary

The Basse Area Council has removed Mr. Bai Gibbi Sallah, the Acting Chief Executive Officer, following allegations of unlawfully withdrawing D50,000 from Council accounts. The decision, effective immediately, came after a thorough investigation and consultation with relevant authorities. The Council emphasized their commitment to integrity, transparency, and accountability, aiming to restore trust in their financial management and leadership practices. No sanctions provided.

The Basse Area Council has issued a press statement announcing the removal of Mr. Bai Gibbi Sallah, the Acting Chief Executive Officer, from his position. He left the Council effective immediately.

On October 12, 2023, the Council passed a resolution recommending Mr. Sallah's removal following allegations of an unlawful withdrawal of D50,000 from Council accounts.

In the statement, the Council emphasized that, after a thorough investigation and consultation with relevant authorities, they have decided to recall Mr. Sallah from his role.

“Against this background, the Council wishes to inform the public that, following extensive investigation and engagement with the relevant authorities on this matter, Mr Bai Gibbi Sallah, the Acting Chief Executive Officer, has been recalled from his services and has left the Council with immediate effect. While we fully assure the public and our taxpayers of making the Council a corrupt-free institution, we believe this move is a testament to upholding integrity, transparency, accountability, and responsible leadership within our Council,” BAC said.

The Council also highlighted that this decision reaffirms their commitment to addressing current issues and restoring trust and confidence in their financial management and leadership practices

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